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Remarks

The present amendment is being submitted in connection with the Sequence Listing filed herewith, in compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. The specification has been amended solely to replace Sequence Identifiers that have been altered by the new Sequence Listing. Specifically, the Sequence Listing and the accompanying amendments to the specification now refer to SEQ ID NO: 15, the human receptor activin nucleic acid sequence (previously identified as SEQ ID NO: 1'); and SEQ ID NO: 16, the human activin receptor protein amino acid sequence (previously identified as SEQ ID NO: 2'). These amendments add no new matter and are fully supported by the specification as filed. No amendments to the claims have been made. Accordingly, claims 11-13 remain currently pending. The present status of all claims in the application is provided in the listing of claims presented herein beginning on page 8.

Applicants have previous elected SEQ ID NO: 2', the human activin receptor protein amino acid sequence, with traverse. This same sequence is now separately identified as SEQ ID NO: 16 as required by the Notice to Comply (Paper No. 12).

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Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, prompt and favorable action on all claims is respectfully requested. In the event any matters remain to be resolved in view of this communication, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned so that a prompt disposition of this application can be achieved.

Respectfully submitted,

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